

## Secretary of State Certificate of Status

I, SHIRLEY N. WEBER, PH.D., California Secretary of State, hereby certify:

Entity Name: LOVE FOCUS INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Entity No.: 3791162 Registration Date: 05/22/2015

Entity Type: Nonprofit Corporation - CA - Religious

Formed In: CALIFORNIA

Status: Active

The above referenced entity is active on the Secretary of State's records and is authorized to exercise all its powers, rights and privileges in California.

This certificate relates to the status of the entity on the Secretary of State's records as of the date of this certificate and does not reflect documents that are pending review or other events that may impact status.

No information is available from this office regarding the financial condition, status of licenses, if any, business activities or practices of the entity.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I execute this certificate and affix the Great Seal of the State of California this day of October 10, 2024.

SHIRLEY N. WEBER, PH.D.

Secretary of State

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Street Address of California Office			108 W ALEXANDER AVE MERCED, CA 95348		
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■ IKEMEFUNA NWOKIKE		PO BOX 3704 MERCED, CA 95344		Secretary	
+ MARGARET MUNGAI		372 BUENA VISTA CT MERCED, CA 95348		Chief Financial Officer	
Additional Officers					
Officer Name	Officer Addr	race	Position	Stated Position	
Officer Name	Officer Addi	None Entered			
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Agent Address 372 BUENA VISTA CT MERCED, CA 95348					
Email Notifications					
Opt-in Email Notifications Yes, I opt-in to receive entity notifications via email.					
Electronic Signature					
By signing, I affirm that the in	nformation herein is t	rue and correct	and that I am auth	orized by California law to sign.	
Theophilus Nkwopara 11/04/2024					
Signature			Date		

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### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF LOVE FOCUS INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION

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The name of the corporation is LOVE FOCUS INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION

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Α.

This corporation is a **Religious Corporation** and is not organized for the private gain of any person. It is organized under the California Nonprofit Religious Corporation Law exclusively for religious purposes.

The specific purpose of this Association is to the extent that the following objects and purposes come within the foregoing **"religious" purposes**, it is the object of this Association:

- (a) To promote the advancement of religion, in carrying out the great commission of our Lord Jesus Christ as found in the Holy Bible according to (Mark 16:15). He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. In this respect, the Association equips, licenses and ordains Christian ministers and encourages Christian believers for the work of the Ministry according to (2 Timothy 4:5). Periodically, the Association organizes convention of Christian believers for fellowships and outreach.
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- (d) Use modern technology to distribute contents; maintain and provide digital archives and web sites of relevant material; including but not limited to copies of written material; sound recording and video archives; photographs and drawings; discussion groups; and other related material made publicly on the internet. The Association may also develop and provide other internet-based resources to further its purpose.
- (e) The Association may adopt and provide such archives and web sites, managed and supported by outside parties, when those web sites further the purpose of the Association. In this respect, "adopt and provide" are understood to be providing web site hosting and support, and the Association assumes no responsibility or liability for the conduct or content of any such archives and web sites. Adoption of any such resources requires a decision by the Association.

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The name and address in the State of California of this corporation's initial agent for service of process is Theo Nkwopara, 637 Snow Creek Lane, CA 95363

The corporation's address is 637 Snow Creek Lane Patterson, CA 95363

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A.

This corporation is organized and operated exclusively for **religious** purposes within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code section 501(c)(3).

B.

No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign (including the publishing or distribution of statements) on behalf of any candidate for public office.

V

The corporation shall enjoy perpetual corporate existence.

VI

The corporation shall generally possess all the powers, rights, privileges, capacities, and immunities which nonprofit corporations are authorized, and may hereafter be authorized, to possess under the Constitution and laws of this State, and particularly under R&TC Section 23701 d, and specifically including the power to make, have, and to use a common seal; to borrow money; to collect; to sue; to be sued; to receive, take hold lease, purchase, improve, sell, mortgage or otherwise dispose of personal, real or mixed property in any such manner permitted by law to the end that the purposes herein set out may be properly accomplished, and to receive by donation or otherwise any sums of money, goods, or real property which any person, firm or corporation should see fit to donate to this corporation.

VII

The corporate powers and management of this corporation shall be vested in, and exercised by board of directors of not less than three (3) nor more than five (5) members.

VIII

The executive officers of this corporation shall consist of a president, a vice-president, and a secretary/treasurer and such other officers as the directors may elect and appoint. The president, the vice-president, and the secretary/ treasurer are to be elected by unanimous vote of the Board of Directors and shall serve until removed or until their successors are duly elected and installed.

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#### **XIV**

The corporation is organized on a non-stock basis, and there shall be no fixed dues or assessments.

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The voting membership of this corporation shall consist of the persons named as directors.

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The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to religious purposes and no part of the net income or assets of this corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, officer or member thereof or to the benefit of any private person. Upon the dissolution or winding up of the corporation, its assets remaining after payment, or provision for payment, of all debts and liabilities of this corporation shall be distributed to a nonprofit fund, foundation or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for religious purposes and which has established its tax exempt status under Internal Revenue Code section 501(c)(3).

XII

The Board of Directors shall provide such constitution and by-laws as are necessary for the conduct of the business of the corporation. Such constitution and by-laws may be established, amended, and repealed by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

XIII

These articles may be altered, amended, repealed, or added to by an affirmative vote of the majority of the Board of Directors; provided that the proposal shall have been submitted to each member of the Board in writing at least 2 days prior to meeting at which the vote is taken.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We have subscribed our names this 1st day of May, 2015.

Margaret Mungai,

Theo Nkwopara

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#### **Restated Articles of Incorporation**

Secretary of State State of California

MAY 29 2019

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The undersigned certify that:

- 1. They are the **president** and the **secretary**, respectively, of LOVE FOCUS INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION, a California Nonprofit Religious Corporation.
- 2. The Articles of Incorporation of this corporation are amended and restated to read as follows:

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The name of the corporation is **LOVE FOCUS INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CHURCHES**.

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A.

This corporation is a religious corporation and is not organized for the private gain of any person. It is organized under the Nonprofit Religious Corporation Law primarily for religious purposes.

B.

The corporation is made up of 30 member Christian churches, clergy & lay Christians, all working together to meet the spiritual, social and physical needs of their community.

The specific purpose of this corporation is to the extent that the following objects and purposes come within the foregoing:

(i) This corporation affirmed that we share common religious doctrines, principles, disciplines, or practices with Christian Evangelical theology and Anabaptist distinctives, and its mission is to help the member churches fulfil the Greatest Commandment and the Great Commission of our Lord Jesus Christ. Jesus declared, "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' Matthew 22:37-39.

(ii) To carry out the great commission of our Lord Jesus Christ as found in the Holy Bible according to (Mark 16:15). He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. In this respect, the corporation equips, and ordains Christian ministers and encourages Christian believers for the work of the Ministry according to (2 Timothy 4:5).

- (iii) Christian love is the focus of this corporation therefore, we will "Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ." Galatians 6:2.
- (iv) Membership is made up of both clergy and member churches in cooperation for evangelism, mission, Christian education, worship, and social concerns. Admission into membership is open to Christian organizations that affirm to the Statement of Faith of this corporation.
- (v) To organize yearly conventions, conduct weekend religious retreats, open to individuals of divers Christian denominations for fellowships and outreach.
- (vi) To organize integrated auxiliaries that will carry out functions and activities that further the exempt purposes of this corporation.
- (vii) In the case of a subordinate corporation instituted or created under the authority of This corporation as a head organization, a provision setting forth the following:
  - (A) That the subordinate corporation shall dissolve whenever its charter is surrendered to, taken away by, or revoked by the head organization granting it.
- (viii) Any other provision, not in conflict with law, for the management of the activities and for the conduct of the affairs of the corporation, including any provision which is required or permitted by this part to be stated in the bylaws.

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B.

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No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign (including the publishing or distribution of statements) on behalf of any candidate for public office.

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V

The corporation shall generally possess all the powers, rights, privileges, capacities, and immunities which nonprofit corporations are authorized, and may hereafter be authorized, to possess under the Constitution and laws of this State, and particularly under R&TC Section 23701 d, and specifically including the power to make, have, and to use a common seal; to borrow money; to collect; to sue; to be sued; to receive, take hold lease, purchase, improve, sell, mortgage or otherwise dispose of personal, real or mixed property in any such manner permitted by law to the end that the purposes herein set out may be properly accomplished, and to receive by donation or otherwise any sums of money, goods, or real property which any person, firm or corporation should see fit to donate to this corporation; qualify to conduct its activities in any other state, territory, dependency, or foreign country; make donations for the public welfare or for community funds, hospital, charitable, educational, scientific, civic, religious, or similar purposes.

The corporate powers and management of this corporation shall be vested in, and exercised by board of directors of not less than three (3) nor more than five (5) members.

VΙ

The executive officers of this corporation shall consist of a president, a vice-president, and a secretary/treasurer and such other officers as the directors may elect and appoint. The president, the vice-president, and the secretary/ treasurer are to be elected by unanimous vote of the Board of Directors and shall serve until removed or until their successors are duly elected and installed.

VII

The corporation is organized on a non-stock basis, and there shall be no fixed dues or assessments.

VIII

The voting membership of this corporation shall consist of the persons named as directors.

IX

The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to religious purposes and no part of the net income or assets of this corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, officer or member thereof or to the benefit of any private person. Upon the dissolution or winding up of the corporation, its assets remaining after payment, or provision for payment, of all debts and liabilities of this corporation shall be distributed to a nonprofit fund, which is organized and operated exclusively for religious purposes and which has established its tax exempt status under Internal Revenue Code section 501(c)(3).

X

The Board of Directors shall provide such constitution and bylaws as are necessary for the conduct of the business of the corporation. Such constitution and bylaws may be established, amended, and repealed by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

These articles may be altered, amended, repealed, or added to by an affirmative vote of the majority of the Board of Directors; provided that the proposal shall have been submitted to each member of the Board in writing at least 2 days prior to meeting at which the vote is taken.

- 3. The foregoing amendment and restatement of Articles of Incorporation has been duly approved by board of directors.
- 4. The foregoing amendment and restatement of Articles of Incorporation has been duly approved by the required vote of the members.
- 5. We further declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the matters set forth in this certificate are true and correct of our own knowledge.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We have subscribed our names this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May 2019.

Rev. Theo Nkwopara, President

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Margaret Mungai, Secretary





#### Secretary of State **Certificate of Amendment of** Articles of Incorporation

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Secretary of State State of California

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1. Corporation Name (Enter the exact name of the corporation as it is currently recorded with the California Secretary of State)

LOVE FOCUS INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF **CHURCHES** 

2. 7-Digit Secretary of State File Number

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Item 3a:

Enter the number, letter, or other designation assigned to the provision in the Articles of Incorporation being amended (e.g., "I," "First," or "A"). See Instructions if the provision in the Articles of Incorporation being amended does not include a number, letter, or other

designation. Any attachment is made part of this document.

a. Article _	I of the Articles of Incorporation is amended to read as shown in Item 3b below:
b. The name	e of the corporation is LOVE FOCUS INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION
proval Sta	rements

- The Board of Directors has approved the amendment of the Articles of Incorporation.
- Member approval was (check one):

By the required vote of the members in accordance with California Corporations Code section 5812, 7812, or 12502.

Not required because the corporation has no members.

5. Read, sign and date below (See instructions for signature requirements. Note: Both lines must be signed.)

We declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the matters set forth herein are true and correct of our own knowledge and we are authorized by California law to sign.

3/6/2020	
Date	

REV. THEO NKWOPARA

Type or Print Name of President

3/6/2020 Date

Signature Manga.

MARGARET MUNGAI

Signature

Type or Print Name of Secretary



### AMENDED CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF LOVE FOCUS INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION

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### AMENDED CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS OF LOVE FOCUS INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION

#### **PREAMBLE**

#### **HISTORY**

The evangelical, or Methodist (named from the use of methodical study and devotion), movement in England led by John Wesley was similar to the Pietist movement in Germany. While a fellow of Lincoln College, Oxford, Wesley organized a group of earnest Bible students, made a missionary expedition to Georgia, and became a friend of the Moravians. Like the Pietists he emphasized the necessity of conversion and devoted much of his life to evangelistic preaching in England. He did not intend any separation, but the parish system of the Church of England was incapable of adjustment to his plan of free evangelism and lay preachers. In 1744 Wesley held the first conference of his preachers; soon this became an annual conference, the governing body of the Methodist societies, and was given a legal constitution in 1784. The Methodist movement had remarkable success, especially where the Church of England was failing in the industrial parishes, in the deep countryside, in little hamlets, and in hilly country, such as Wales, Cumberland, Yorkshire, and Cornwall. In 1768 Methodist emigrants in the American colonies opened a chapel in New York, and thereafter the movement spread rapidly in the United States. It also succeeded in French-speaking cantons of Switzerland.

The Methodist movement seized upon the emotional and spiritual conscience that Protestant orthodoxy neglected. It revived the doctrines of grace and justification and renewed the tradition of moral earnestness, which had once appeared in Puritanism, but which had temporarily faded during the reaction against Puritanism in the middle and late 17th century. In England it slowly began to strengthen the tradition of free churchmanship, though for a century or more many English Methodists believed themselves to be much nearer the Anglican Church from which they had issued than any other body of English Protestants. Hymns—hitherto confined (except for metrical Psalms) to the Lutheran churches—were accepted in other Protestants bodies, such as the Church of England, the Congregationalists, and the Baptists as a result of the Methodist movement, which produced some of the most eminent hymn writers, such as Philip Doddridge (1702–51) and Charles Wesley (1707–88).

#### The Great Awakening

Churches in the 13 American colonies practiced the Congregational or Baptist church polity on a scale not known in Europe. Anabaptist groups required evidence of faith, which sometimes meant public testimony of the conversion experience. Larger American congregations required a similar testimony that was more solemn and at times more emotional. Calvinistic pastors in New England, seeking the religion of the heart, gave unusual stress to the necessity of an immediate experience of salvation. Pastors found that a wave of emotion could sweep through an entire congregation and believed that they could here observe conversion that resulted in a better life for the converted. These traditions and growing dissatisfaction with rationalism and formalism in religious belief and practice led to the Great Awakening, a revivalist movement of the first half of the 18th century. The movement owed something to the German Pietist T.J. Frelinghuysen (1691-c. 1748) and something to John Wesley's colleague George Whitefield (1714–70). The chief mind at the beginning of the Great Awakening, however, was that of an intellectual mystic rather than of a conventional Calvinist preacher. Jonathan Edwards (1703-58) was the Congregational pastor at Northampton in Massachusetts, where the conversions began in 1734-35. In the mid-18th century, waves of revivals and conversions spread throughout the colonies. These revivals, although led by Congregationalists and Presbyterians. resulted in the formation of many small, independent, Bible-centered, Baptist groups. American revival leaders, like Wesley in England and Zinzendorf in Germany, were forced to practice their ministry outside the established churches.

The movement was not native to North America. But the conditions of the American frontier gave this kind of evangelicalism a new vigor, and from America it permanently influenced the future development of Protestantism. In the towns and new cities with moving populations, Protestantism found methods that became a feature of evangelical endeavors to reach the unregenerate or the unchurched crowds of the coming industrial cities.

WHEREAS it is desirable that Love Focus International Association having restated its Articles of Incorporation and adopted a new name "Love Focus International Association of Churches" to reflect its broad-based vision to embrace other Christian churches, clergy & lay Christians to form a convention with the intent to be recognized as an association of churches, all working together to meet the spiritual, social and physical needs of their community, in the furtherance and advancement of religious purposes of Love Focus International Association;

THEREFORE WE, the Churches and Fellowships by our delegates gathering here in Merced, California on this 29<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2019 our 1<sup>st</sup> day of conference, in this session, by an affirmative vote of the regional delegates adopted said CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS; do covenant as association of Christian churches, clergy & lay Christians to walk together in the ways to further the exempt purposes of Love Focus International Association of Churches as stated in the said Restated Articles of Incorporation. Pursuant to Article (II) (B) (ii)- (vi). To carry out the great commission of our Lord Jesus Christ as found in the Holy Bible according to (Mark 16: 15). He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. In this respect, the association equips and ordains Christian ministers and encourages Christian believers for the work of the Ministry according to (2 Timothy 4:5)..

"That in all things Jesus Christ might have the preeminence," and that "all things be done decently and in order," as enjoined by the Apostle Paul, Love Focus International Association of Churches is to be governed by its Constitution and these Bylaws in the administration of all matters of business and concern.

In the furtherance of its exempt purposes, Love Focus International Association of Churches is to promote Evangelical Christianity in the regions made up of US Region and Africa Region through its conferences, conventions, fellowships, gatherings, deliberations of the Board of Directors, the work and activities of the staff of Love Focus International Association of Churches; pursuant to the Restated Articles of Incorporation of Love Focus International Association of Churches:

(i) We affirmed that we share common religious doctrines, principles, disciplines, or practices with Christian Evangelical theology with Anabaptist distinctives, and its mission is to help the member churches fulfil the Greatest Commandment and the Great Commission of our Lord Jesus Christ. Jesus declared, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind." 'This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' Matthew 22:37-39

As we Share common religious doctrines, principles, disciplines, or practices with Christian Evangelical theology:

- Our doctrines are centered on the authority of Scripture, the necessity of personal conversion, and the importance of evangelism. Key beliefs include:
- Authority of Scripture: We hold the Bible as the ultimate authority in matters of faith and practice.
- Salvation by Faith: We emphasis on salvation through faith in Jesus Christ alone, often highlighted by the "sinner's prayer" and a personal relationship with Jesus.
- Evangelism: We have strong focus on spreading the Gospel and converting others to Christianity.
- Justification by Faith: We believe that individuals are justified by faith alone, and good works are a result of faith, not a means to salvation.
- Believer's Baptism: We practice baptism only for those who consciously profess their faith in Jesus Christ.
- Marriage: We conduct marriages between a man and woman as found in the Holy Bible "He made them male and female"
- Separation of Church and State: We strongly emphasize the separation of church and state, advocating for a community of believers distinct from secular authorities.

- Discipleship and Community: We focus on living out the teachings of Jesus in daily life, emphasizing community and mutual aid among believers.
- Holy Communion: Breaking of bread and wine as commanded by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ ""And he took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, 'This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me.' In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you" Luke 22:19-20.

#### **VISION**

This Association is an international, intercultural, interracial association of churches and fellowships which seeks to realize Christian unity in local, national, and world relations. The Association seeks fellowship, mutual support, and common ministries that reflect the unity of all who see themselves within the Christian tradition. The Association seeks:

To be faithful to the prayer of Jesus Christ that "they may all be one;" To witness to the inclusive love of God that overcomes all divisions; To love and serve God, God's people, and God's creation:

To seek and share the truth;

To affirm individual freedom of conscience to worship;

To affirm communities of justice, mercy, and love; and.

To be an integral partner in the worldwide Christian missionary movement.

#### **RELATIONSHIPS**

Love Focus International Association has at heart an institutional relationship with Christian churches, clergy & lay Christians, all working together to meet the spiritual, social and physical needs of their community. Through the Association local churches, gatherings and fellowships find it possible to find and develop connection with the wider church through this movement. In mutual encouragement and resourcing through the Association, local churches are strengthened. This institutional relationship is further defined below:

#### **ARTICLE 1 - NAME**

The name of this association is Love Focus International Association.

This corporation is organized and operated exclusively for religious purposes within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code section 501(c)(3).

#### ARTICLE II – PURPOSE

This corporation is a Religious Corporation and is not organized for the private gain of any person. It is organized under the California Nonprofit Religious Corporation Law exclusively for religious purposes.

The specific purpose of this Association is to the extent that the following objects and purposes come within the foregoing "religious" purposes, it is the object of this Association:

(a) To promote the advancement of religion, in carrying out the great commission of our Lord Jesus Christ as found in the Holy Bible according to (Mark 16:15). He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. In this respect, the Association equips, licenses

and ordains Christian ministers and encourages Christian believers for the work of the Ministry according to (2 Timothy 4:5). Periodically, the Association organizes convention of Christian believers for fellowships and outreach.

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#### ARTICLE III - GOVERNANCE

We serve as an international and interracial, association of Christian churches, clergy & lay Christians, which seeks to be recognized as an association of churches organized within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code section 501(c)(3). Pursuant to the Restated Articles of Incorporation of Love Focus International Association, Article II (B)(i) through (viii). As such we seek IRS reclassification of Love Focus International Association tax-exempt status as a convention or association of churches under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(i).

#### A. Independence of the Local Church

By this principal the association affirm that a properly constituted congregation is fully equipped to minister Christ and need not derive its authority from any source, other than Christ, outside its own life. Therefore, a local church is autonomous in the sense of its governance even though it is a member of this association. Individual Christians are bound to pray for one another and to maintain communion with one another, so churches are under similar obligation. Thus, the individual churches affirm their unity in Christ by forming this said association pursuant to the association's Articles of Incorporation and this Constitution and Bylaws.

#### **B.** Membership and Qualifications

In addition to the number stated in the Restated Articles of Incorporation of Love Focus International Association, Article II (B), any historically established, chartered or incorporated church, ministry or fellowship that identifies itself as being within the Christian tradition and that signifies its willingness to subscribe to the "Statement of Faith" and support the exempt purposes of the Association by participation in the Association's activities and by financial support to the Association may apply for membership in the Association.

#### C. Standards For Membership

Standards for membership shall be those recommended by the Board of Directors and endorsed by the Annual Convention delegates.

#### ARTICLE IV – GATHERINGS ANNUAL CONFERENCE/ CONVENTION

#### A. Purpose

The Annual Conference and other Association gatherings shall serve as opportunities for fellowship, prayer, worship, Christian education, and spiritual growth.

- 1. The Association shall gather in Annual Conference/Convention made up of US Region and Africa Region member Christian churches, gatherings and fellowships, at a time, date and place determined by the Board of Directors.
- 2. The Association may establish other singular or periodic gatherings for community churches located within national or continental locales by action of the Board of Directors.

#### **B. Business Sessions**

- 1. The voting delegates gathered at Annual Conference/Convention shall elect officers and other members of the Board of Directors and the Board of Trustees, approve the next year's annual budget, and provide direction for the Association's life and fellowship.
- 2. Matters of business at the Annual Conference/Convention, except the revision of the Constitution and Bylaws, shall be determined by a simple majority vote of delegates present and voting. US Regional Delegate 2 votes. Africa Regional Delegates 2 votes. Annual Conference/Convention Chaired by the President 1 vote.

#### **ARTICLE V – OFFICERS**

#### A. General Regulations

- 1. The officers of the Association shall serve in the duties outlined here and in such other duties applicable to their offices as prescribed by the resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors.
- 2. Each position defined in this article shall have term limits as defined, with the exception that if in the case of necessity, the Annual Conference/Convention may elect an individual to not more than three additional consecutive years in office.
  - 3. As nearly as may be possible, an equal number of terms of office shall expire in five years.
- 4. In the event of the incapacity of any officer, the President (or in the event of the incapacity of the President, the Secretary) shall convene a meeting of the Board of Directors to appoint a person to act in the place of the incapacitated officer, who will serve until the next Annual Conference/Convention.

#### **B.** The President

- 1. The President/Chief Executive Officer (CEO) shall be elected by the voting delegates at Annual Conference or Convention for a term of five-years and will be eligible for a second and third terms. The President shall serve as the elected leader of the Association and presiding Spiritual Leader of the Council of Elders.
  - 2. The President shall:
- a. Preside over meetings of the Board of Directors, the Board of Trustees, and business meetings of the Annual Conference. If the President is absent from a meeting of any of these bodies, the body shall elect a President pro tempore to preside at its meeting.
- b. Appoint, with the approval of the Board of Directors, the moderators and members of committees as specified in Article IX.
  - c. Nominate for appointment by the Board of Directors, persons to fill vacancies in the

elective and appointive bodies of the Association until the next Annual Conference.

- d. Assign responsibilities to officers and others to fulfill the work of the Association and provide general encouragement and oversight to committees in order that their responsibilities may be fulfilled.
- e. Nominate for appointment by the Board of Directors, a corporate resident agent as required by the laws of the State of California.
- f. Represent the Association, when possible, in relation to other religious and public bodies.
- g. Call special meetings of the Board of Directors and the Board of Trustees when necessary.

#### C. The general Secretary

- 1. The Secretary shall be elected by the voting delegates at the annual conference for a term of five years, for a maximum of three consecutive terms.
  - 2. The Secretary shall:
- a. Attend and develop minutes for all meetings of the Board of Directors, the Board of Trustees and all business meetings of the Annual Conference.
- b. Be custodian of all records and reports and ensure that there is a maintained archive of materials developed in relation to the Association.
- c. Have special responsibility for developing and maintaining archival deposits at one or more libraries located at educational institutions or other places, in cooperation with the Association's committees on history, heritage and informational services.
- d. In the event of the incapacity of the Secretary, the President shall convene a meeting of the Board of Directors to appoint a person to act in the place of the Secretary, who will serve until the next Annual Conference.
  - e. Perform other duties assigned by the President.

#### D. The Treasurer

- 1. The Treasurer shall be elected by the voting delegates at the Annual Conference for a term of five years, for a maximum of three consecutive terms.
  - 2. The Treasurer shall:
- a. Prepare and present monthly reports on the Association's finances, in cooperation with the Chief Executive Director and other Association staff, to the Board of Directors.
- b. Prepare and present periodic reports on the Association's finances, in cooperation with the Chief Executive Director, to the Board of Trustees.
- c. Prepare and present annual reports on the Association's finances, in cooperation with the Chief Executive Director, to the Annual Conference.
  - d. Arrange for an annual financial review or audit of the finances of the Association.

#### E. The Vice President for Planning

- 1. The Vice President for Planning shall be elected by the voting delegates at annual conference for a term of five years, with a maximum of two consecutive terms.
  - 2. The Vice President for Planning shall:
    - a. Enlist a committee to assist in the tasks assigned to this office.
- b. Have special responsibility for planning the Annual Conference, and for developing other plans to enhance the Association's life and ministry.
  - c. Perform other duties assigned by the President.
  - d. Represent the Association upon the request of the President.

#### F. The Vice President for Regional Relationships

- 1. The Vice President for Regional Relationships shall be elected by the voting delegates at annual conference for a term of five years, with a maximum of two consecutive terms.
  - 2. The Vice President for Regional Relationships shall:
    - a. Enlist a committee to assist in the tasks assigned to this office.
- b. Have special responsibility for developing, maintaining and enhancing relationships between member churches and fellowships and their regional associations.
- c. Make recommendations to the Board of Directors regarding the size, composition and boundaries of regions.
  - d. Perform other duties assigned by the President.
- e. Represent the Association upon the request of the President or the Chief Executive Director.

#### G. The Vice President for Financial Development

- 1. The Vice President for Financial Development shall be elected by the voting delegates at annual conference for a term of five years, with a maximum of two consecutive terms.
  - 2. The Vice President for Financial Development shall:
    - a. Enlist a committee to assist in the tasks assigned to this office.
- b. Have special responsibility for encouraging member churches and fellowships in their support of the Association and its ministries.
- c. Develop additional sources of funding including grants from individuals, foundations, corporations and associations.
- d. Prepare a proposed annual budget for submission to the Board of Directors and to the Annual Conference.
- e. Upon vote of her/his committee, add or delete names of agencies and institutions to or from the Association's list of endorsed mission agencies and institutions.
  - f. Perform other duties assigned by the President.
- g. Represent the Association upon the request of the President or the Chief Executive Director.

#### H. The Vice President for Membership Enlistment

- 1. The Vice President for Membership Enlistment shall be elected by the voting delegates at annual conference for a term of five years, with a maximum of two consecutive terms.
  - 2. The Vice President for Membership Enlistment shall:
    - a. Enlist a committee to assist in the tasks assigned to this office.
- b. Have special responsibility for enlisting new member churches and fellowships into Association membership.
- c. Develop and execute programs of marketing to prospective member churches using all available means of networking and communication.
- d. Develop and execute planned programs of direct contact with prospective member churches and fellowships.
  - e. Perform other duties assigned by the President.
- f. Represent the Association upon the request of the President or the Chief Executive Director.

#### I. The Vice President for Membership Services

- 1. The Vice President for Membership Services shall be elected by the voting delegates at annual conference for a term of five years, with a maximum of two consecutive terms.
  - 2. The Vice President for Membership Services shall:
    - a. Enlist a committee to assist in the tasks assigned to this office.
- b. Have special responsibility to review, develop and enhance services provided to member churches and fellowships by the Association and its regions. Publish 'MEMBERS HANDBOOK' and MEMBERSHIP ROSTER to disseminate information about membership, rights and responsibilities. Publish 'VISSION & EXPECTATION' for Credentialed Ministers by the Council of Elders.
- c. Conduct periodic formal and informal surveys of clergy and laity to determine the effectiveness of existing services and to solicit proposals for new services provided to member churches and fellowships.
  - d. Perform other duties assigned by the President.
- e. Represent the Association upon the request of the President or the Chief Executive Director.

#### J. The Vice President for Interfaith Relations

- 1. The Vice President Interfaith Relations shall be elected by the voting delegates at annual conference for a term of five years, with a maximum of two consecutive terms.
  - 2. The Vice President for Interfaith Relations shall:
    - a. Enlist a committee to assist in the tasks assigned to this office.
- b. Have special responsibility to maintain the Association's relationships with other religious bodies through bilateral and multilateral dialogues.
- c. Perform the duties commonly expected of an Officer at gatherings of religious bodies and appoint a proxy to represent the Association at gatherings which the Vice President for Interfaith Relations cannot attend.
  - d. Perform other duties assigned by the President.
- e. Represent the Association upon the request of the President or the Chief Executive Director.

#### K. The Vice President for Leadership Development

- 1. The Vice President for Leadership Development shall be elected by the voting delegates at annual conference for a term of five years, with a maximum of two consecutive terms.
  - 2. The Vice President for Leadership Development shall:
    - a. Enlist a committee to assist in the tasks assigned to this office.
- b. Have special responsibility for the development of leadership skills and aptitudes among laity and clergy, for the benefit of the member churches and fellowships of the Association, and for the benefit of the Association.
- c. Develop and implement programs, and recommend programs developed by others, for leadership development.
  - d. Perform other duties assigned by the President.
- e. Represent the Association upon the request of the President or the Chief Executive Director.

#### L. The Vice President for Informational Services and Outreach

1. The Vice President for Informational Services and Outreach shall be elected by the voting delegates at annual conference for a term of five years, with a maximum of two consecutive

terms.

- 2. The Vice President for Informational Services and Outreach shall:
  - a. Enlist a committee to assist in the tasks assigned to this office.
- b. Have special responsibility for publishing, using all available media: news to the public about the Association and its member churches and fellowships; sermons, worship materials and other information that may be useful to member churches and fellowships; and other materials relevant to the Association, its vision and mission, and its programming.
- c. Cooperate with other officers in developing means and methods of publication via all available media of materials that will assist their initiatives.
  - d. Perform other duties assigned by the President.
- e. Represent the Association upon the request of the President or the Chief Executive Director.

#### M. Representatives of the Auxiliaries

- 3. The Presidents of the Auxiliaries, or an otherwise appointed representative of each auxiliary, shall serve a two-year term of office and may be reappointed without limitation of terms.
- 4. The Auxiliaries shall endeavor to rotate responsibility for representation among the Auxiliary organizations.
  - 5. The Representatives of the Auxiliaries shall:
- a. Bring to the Board of Directors the concerns, recommendations and reports on planned activities of all the Auxiliary organizations.
- b. Make reports of all the Auxiliary organizations on the proceedings of each meeting of the Board of Directors the Representative attends.
  - c. Perform other duties assigned by the President.
- d. Represent the Association upon the request of the President /Chief Executive Director.

#### N. Immediate Past President

The immediate past President of the Association shall serve on the Board of Directors until the current President's term concludes. In the event of the incapacity of the immediate past President, that person's immediate predecessor as President of the Association may be invited to fill this position by the Board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE VI - BOARD OF TRUSTEES

#### A. Membership

- 1. The Board of Trustees shall consist of the President; the Secretary; the Vice President for Regional Relationships; the Vice President for Membership Enlistment, the Vice President for Membership Services; US regional Trustees elected by Annual Conference.
- 2. There shall be one International Trustee from each region outside the US that have seven or more member churches or fellowships as defined in this Constitution and bylaws; whose churches and fellowships elect a Trustee by democratic means; and whose churches and fellowships communicate the results of any such election to Association staff in the United States.

Any group of churches that joins the Association as a single entity shall be counted as one body for

the purpose of determining the number of churches and fellowships that are in a Region. In the case of indeterminate or changing national boundaries, the Board of Directors shall determine for Association purposes the national location or affiliation of member churches and fellowships.

- 4. The number of US regional Trustees and the geographic boundaries of their respective regions shall be established by the Board of Directors. Such regions shall be arranged in a manner that places as nearly as may be practical in the region. The Board of Directors shall review and reassign the boundaries of regions at least once every 10 years.
- 5. Persons elected as US regional Trustees, or as International Trustees shall serve for a term of five years, with a maximum of two consecutive terms. Persons appointed or elected to fill unexpired terms shall in no case serve more than five consecutive years.
- 6. Persons elected as US regional Trustees shall be elected at the Annual Conference with terms of office beginning immediately upon the adjournment of the Annual Conference at which they were elected. The terms of office for the people elected as other regional Trustees shall begin immediately upon the final adjournment of the Annual Conference after which they are elected.

#### **B. Individual Duties of Trustees**

Each Trustee shall:

- 1. Be responsible for visiting in person or by electronic means each church and center in her/his territory a minimum of once each year, encouraging the involvement and participation of each church and fellowship in Association-related meetings and activities.
- 2. Encourage the formation, growth and health of geographic fellowships of community churches in her/his region and cooperate with the elected officers of such fellowships in developing meetings and activities that meet the needs of churches and fellowships.
- 3. Report to each meeting of the Board of Trustees in writing on geographical fellowship meetings and activities within the Trustee's territory, and on the Trustee's, activities, including visits to churches and fellowships on behalf of the Association.
- 4. Report to each meeting of the Board of Trustees in writing on the health, growth, progress and needs of Association churches and fellowships within the Trustee's territory.
- 5. Represent the Association upon the request of the President or the Chief Executive Director.

#### C. Board Duties

The Board of Trustees shall:

- 1. Receive reports from its own members at each regular meeting regarding the health, growth, progress and needs of the Association's churches and fellowships, and on meetings and activities of geographical fellowships, making use of these reports to strengthen relationships among member churches and fellowships and encourage their individual and joint ministries.
- 2. Transmit reports, recommendations and information to the Board of Directors for review or action, and for inclusion in the Association's annual reports and records.
- 3. Act upon other matters as may be determined by the Association's constitution and bylaws, and as may be assigned by the Annual Conference.

#### D. Meetings

- 1. The Board of Trustees shall meet not less than three times each year: either by electronic means, or in conjunction with the Annual Conference. The meeting related to the Annual Conference may consist of more than one session.
- 2. Each member of the Board of Trustees is entitled to one vote on any motion that may come before the Board. Proxies are not permitted. Absentee ballots are not permitted. In matters of special urgency, the President may call for a special ballot by postal or electronic mail.
- 3. Association staff shall attend meetings to provide services to the Board, except that the Board may by majority vote enter the executive session.

#### ARTICLE VII - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### A. Membership

The Board of Directors shall consist of officers of the Association described in the Articles of Association and Article V of this Constitution and bylaws.

#### **B.** Duties

The Board of Directors shall

- 1. Monitor the program, finances and staff functioning of the Association, and shall make recommendations to the Board of Trustees and to the Annual Conference/Convention on policy and on other matters as specified by this Constitution and bylaws.
- 2. Prepare a proposed annual budget and present it to the Annual Conference delegates for approval. The Treasurer shall do regular analyses of the approved budget.
- 3. Act as nominating committee for the Association, seeking to represent the diverse Association membership and to fulfill the vision and mission of the Association through the best choice of nominees.
- 4. Oversee and maintain a complete listing of the Association's member churches and fellowships.
- 5. Establish policies and procedures recognition of ministerial credentials that ensure the integrity of the Association's mission and reputation.
  - 6. Make decisions regarding the venue for each Annual Conference.
- 7. Approve a planning committee for each Annual Conference to be led by the Vice President for Planning.
- 8. Appoint a personnel Committee with responsibility to conduct performance and compensation reviews for Association staff.
  - 9. Establish other committees as needed, as specified in Article IX.
- 10. Administer the trust funds of the Association, making disbursements directly as the Board may instruct.
- 11. Provide general oversight and encouragement to the Chief Executive Director and other Association staff, maintaining regular communication with them and other persons as the board may direct.

#### C. Executive Committee

The Board of Directors may appoint an Executive Committee consisting of the President of the Association and such other members of the Board as it may direct, and delegate specific duties to the Executive Committee, actions taken by the Executive Committee shall be reported to the Board of Directors and approved or overruled by the Board.

#### D. Appointment and Removal of Officers and Directors

The Association of Churches Regional Delegates have authority to control the appointment or removal of at least one of the officers or directors of Love Focus International Association by an affirmative vote of the majority present at the Special meeting session of the Annual Conference/Convention.

#### **ARTICLE VIII – COMMITTEES**

- A. Committees in addition to those specified in this Constitution and Bylaws may be established by the Board of Directors provided that the name and purpose of each such committee, its membership size and its termination date are specified.
- B. Committee members shall be nominated by the President and appointed by the Board of Directors.
- C. The President shall be ex-officio, a member of all committees, and shall be notified of their meetings. The President may appoint a proxy to attend meetings of a committee on her/his behalf.
- D. No person shall serve on more than two committees at any one time.
- E. Committees may invite Association staff to attend meetings, to provide staff support as appropriate.

#### **ARTICLE IX – ASSOCIATION STAFF**

- A. The Board of Directors may employ or call the ministry of staff members to support the life and work of the Association. The President and the Board of Directors shall appoint a search committee for the purpose of searching out, reviewing the resumes of, interviewing, and making proposals regarding individuals to fill such positions as the Annual Conference or Convention have approved and for which positions budget provisions have been made.
- B. When the Board employs an individual, that person shall be provided with a job description, and shall be required to sign a letter of call or employment contract with the Association. Such letter of call or contract shall specify duties, compensation, periodic performance and compensation review, termination, and other provisions common to such instruments.
- C. The chief staff officer of the Association shall be designated by the title "Executive Director" or such other title as the Board of Directors may direct, with duties as follows:
- 1. The Executive Director shall provide pastoral support to professional church leaders of the Association.
- 2. The Executive Director shall upon invitation provide assistance and support to churches and fellowships in pastoral transition and to churches and fellowships facing other challenges.
- 3. The Executive Director shall consult with and cooperate with the President and each of the Vice Presidents of the Association in fulfilling the duties and functions of each office. The Executive Director, shall:
  - a. In consultation with the Vice President for Planning, inspect and review possibilities for Annual Conferences, and seek out program leadership for Annual Conferences.
  - b. In consultation with the Vice President for Regional Relationships provide support for the Board of Trustees and for regional fellowships of community churches.
  - c. In consultation with the Vice President for Financial Development make appeals for financial support of the Association from churches and fellowships, individuals, foundations and other sources.

- d. In consultation with the Vice President for Membership Enlistment, interpret the benefits of Association membership to prospective churches and fellowships.
- e. In consultation with the Vice President for Membership Services, develop and implement plans to provide added value services to member churches and fellowships.
- f. In consultation with the Vice President for Interfaith Relations, engage in interfaith dialogues both multilateral and bilateral, and represent the Association in interfaith bodies.
- g. In consultation with the Vice President for Leadership Development, develop and implement programs that engage clergy and laity in activities that advance their insight and skills in helping the Association to achieve its purpose and vision.
- h. In consultation with the Vice President for Informational Services and Outreach, publish the activities of the Association through a variety of media an materials that support the Association, its churches and fellowships, and its purpose and vision.
- 4. The Executive Director shall submit to each meeting of the Board of Directors written and oral reports on her/his activities on behalf of the Association.
- 5. The Executive Director shall perform such other duties as the Board of Directors may specify.
- D. Human Resources shall be under the supervision of the Board of Directors and shall meet not less than annually with each staff member to review his/her past performance, establish goals for the coming year, and to discuss general questions related to the staff member's service to the Association.

#### ARTICLE X - CLERGY

The Board of Directors shall insure that a formal list of ordained clergies related to the Association is developed and maintained with appropriate documentation. The Association shall honor and accept the ordination of women and men by recognized Christian communities or bodies. Termination of standing with such groups shall not be required or implied by the Association's acceptance. The Association shall affirm and accept the ordination of men and women by its member bodies.

#### ARTICLE XI – GEOGRAPHIC FELLOWSHIPS

The Association shall encourage and support the formation and maintenance of fellowships of community churches in specific geographical locales. Such fellowships:

- A. May invite other churches and fellowships not currently affiliated with the Association into their membership, provided that such churches and fellowships are informed and reminded about the benefits of Association membership on a regular basis.
- B. Shall meet on a periodic basis, with meeting schedules arranged on a predictable schedule insofar as possible, to encourage maximum attendance and participation.
- C. Shall provide programs and events that will assist member churches and fellowships by providing opportunities for fellowship, worship, prayer support, education, and spiritual growth.
- D. Shall include in their meeting agendas, reports and informational sharing on events and developments important to the Association's life.
- E. Shall make reports on their meetings and activities to the Association for sharing with the entire community church movement.

#### **ARTICLE XII – SUPPORT, FINANCIAL REPORTS & GENERAL OPERATIONS**

A. The Association normally receives more than 50 percent of its support from a combination of governmental sources, public solicitation of contributions, and receipts from the

sale of admissions, goods, performance of services, or furnishing of facilities in activities that are not unrelated trades or businesses.

B. The corporate entity and regions outside US shall report at least annually on its financial and general operations to the Association's Board of Directors. It shall also make available this information to the public by posting it on its website.

#### **ARTICLE XIII – PROGRAMS**

A. The Association, in the furtherance of its exempt purposes shall provide community-based services in collaboration with the government to lighten public burden. Such services shall include Enhanced Care Management and Community Supports to benefit the poor, the elderly, the disabled, the homeless and the those known as the Population of Focus.

#### ARTICLE XIV - PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules of parliamentary practice as found in the latest edition of Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the business meetings of the Annual Conference, the meetings of the Board of Trustees, the Board of Directors and the various committees and commissions, unless differently specified in this Constitution and Bylaws.

#### ARTICLE XV - CORPORATE SEAL

The Corporate Seal of the Association shall be kept in the Association's principal office in the custody of the Registrar.

#### **ARTICLE XVI - AMENDMENTS**

- A. This Constitution and Bylaws may be amended at an Annual Conference, repealed, or added to by an affirmative vote of the majority of the Board of Directors; provided that the proposal shall have been submitted to each member of the Board in writing at least 2 days prior to meeting at which the vote is taken.
- B. A proposed amendment must first be submitted to the Regional Delegates by postal mail or electronic mail at least ninety days before the next regular Annual Conference and approved by an affirmative vote of the regional delegates of the associated churches.

#### ARTICLE XVII – DISSOLUTION

- A. Love Focus International Association may, upon recommendation of the Board of Directors, be dissolved at an Annual Conference by an affirmative majority vote of current and active regional delegates present and voting.
- B. Upon the dissolution or winding up of the corporation, its assets remaining after payment, or provision for payment, of all debts and liabilities of this corporation shall be distributed to a church or a convention or association of churches or to an affiliate, within the meaning of Treas. Reg. Section 1.6033-2(h).

#### ARTICLE XVIII - MEMBERSHIP REGISTER

Pursuant to the Restated Articles of Incorporation of Love Focus International Association, Article II (B) and this said Constitution and Bylaws, this Membership Register represents the list of active members of this body. Active membership voting rights shall always be maintained by this organization.

#### **ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP REGISTER**

S/N	Member	Phone No.	Church	Address
1	Rev. Theo Nkwopara President/ CEO Presiding Spiritual Leader (1 Vote)	+1 (916) 475 2557	Love Focus International Association Corporate Body	P.O. BOX 3704 Merced, CA 95344 USA
2	Pastor Ikemefuna Nwokike General Secretary Africa Regional Delegate (1 Vote)	08033222327	True Vine Fellowship	5 Nnaji Park New Haven, Enugu, Enugu State Nigeria
3	Margaret Mungai, Treasurer US Regional Delegate (1 Vote)	+1 (415) 524 9274	Love Focus International Association Corporate Body	P.O. BOX 3704 Merced, CA 95344 USA
4	Edith Nwokike, Africa Regional Delegate (1 Vote)	0837622504	True Vine Fellowship	5 Nnaji Park New Haven, Enugu, Enugu State Nigeria
5	Evangelist Obinna Neboh	07039646744	Word of faith Ministry	32 Adaobi crescent Nike, Enugu, Enugu State Nigeria
6	Carolyne Njogu, US Regional Delegate (1 Vote)	+1 (510) 691 9392	Love Focus International Association Corporate Body	372 Buena Vista Ct Merced, CA 95348 USA
7	Evangelist Anthony Igwenagu	08036698874	Gods Glory Ministries	25 Spring Road, Edem, Nike Enugu, Enugu State Nigeria
8	Evangelist Chuks Ugoabunwa	08165900111	Light of God bible Fellowship	13 Ubaka Lane, Independence Layout ext. Enugu, Enugu State Nigeria
9	Evangelist Innocent Ugwu	08037421535	Word of Life Ministry	5 Agada Lane, Alulu Nike Enugu, Enugu State Nigeria
10	Evangelist Ifeanyi, Anyachor	09123241314	Noble Vine Fellowship	17 Amankpaka Ugwogo, Nike, Enugu, Enugu State Nigeria
11	Evangelist Ifedigbo Innocent	07018109787	God's Direction Ministry	21 Ijenu Road, Ugwogu, Nike Enugu, Enugu State Nigeria

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12	Evangelist Ifeanyi Odumodu	08098192686	River of Life bible	4 River Lane,
			Fellowship	Independent Layout.
				Enugu, Enugu State
				Nigeria
13	Evangelist Chinyere Ezeanochie	08034292286	EL-Bethel Glory of God	22/1 Upper North
			Ministries int'l	5th T/E,
				Enugu, Enugu State
				Nigeria
14	Rev. Dr. Peter Nnaba	08063773734	God's Grace	Plot 201 Garden
			Foundation	Crese Amorji, Nike.
			Ministries	Enugu, Enugu State
				Nigeria
15	Pastor Walter Ejeagbasi	07060666496	Bright Life Bible Church	1 Bright Kid Crescent
				Ugwuogo, Nike,
				Enugu, Enugu State
				Nigeria
16	Evangelist David Onwuka	07061010888	True Love Divine	20 Church Street,
			Ministry	Housing Estate,
				Abakpa, Enugu,
				Enugu State Nigeria
17	Pastor Emeka Ozugbo	08160369407	Perfecting The Saints	1 Nwabueze Agbo
			Assembly	Compound, Emene,
				Enugu, Enugu
				State Nigeria
18	Evangelist Chizoba Ndubueze	08037454469	Jesus is Real Ministry	15 Ugwunwani Street
				Ugbene Enugu,
				Enugu State Nigeria
19	Evangelist Chioma Okwudili	07047208190	Favour of God Int'L	8 Okechukewu close
			Ministry	Ugbo Ezeji Abakpa,
				Enugu, Enugu State
				Nigeria
20	Evangelist Ezeakata Joy	07088115982	Allow Children for the	3 Obinagu
			Christ Ministry	Village Abakpa,
			·	Enugu, Enugu
				State Nigeria
21	Pastor S. AAmobi	09066696871	World Redemption Power	7 Ukahe Street.
			Ministry	Ugwueke, Nike Road,
			·	Enugu, Enugu State
				Nigeria
22	Evangelist Obeagu Chibugo	08035492381	Daughters Fulfilling	47 Lawyers
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23	Evangelist Ugoeze Nnenna	08034671277	Christian Grooming	9 Frank Eze Crescent,
			and Honoring Ministry	Ugwuagor Abakpa,
				Enugu State Nigeria
24	Evangelist Onuigbo Justina	07039841503	Mountain zion Ministry	45 Lawyers
				Avenue, Abakpa
				Enugu, Enugu State
				Nigeria
25	Evangelist Ogoke Ogechukwu	09065255897	Victorious God Ministry	40 Lawyers
				Avenue, Abakpa,
				Enugu, Enugu State
				Nigeria
26	Evangelist Okonkwo	08168525546	True word Evangelical	22 Nike Lake road,
	Chigozie		Ministry	Enugu, Enugu State
				Nigeria
27	Evangelist Stephen Agada	0913186896	Jesus Never Fails	3 Adada Close,
			Ministry	Housing Estate,
				Enugu, Enugu State
				Nigeria
28	Evangelist Onyibo Ruth	0806482922	Jesus is Love Fellowship	7 Remond Agbata
				close, Enugu, Enugu
				State Nigeria
29	Evangelist Chiawa Edith	08145061781	Light Evangelical Ministry	9 Obinagu Rd
				Abakpa, Enugu,
				Enugu State Nigeria
30	Evangelist Ikwueze	08135264827	Zion Ministry	34 Obinaga Rd,
	Anthonia			Abakpa, Enugu,
				Enugu State Nigeria
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# APPROVAL AND ADOPTION OF AMENDED CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS OF LOVE FOCUS INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION Certificate by General Secretary

#### I DO HEREBY CERTIFY AS FOLLOWS:

That I am the duly elected, qualified General Secretary of the abovenamed corporation; that the foregoing AMENDED CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS were approved by an affirmative vote of the regional delegates of the associated churches. That said AMENED CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS was adopted by an affirmative vote of the majority of the Board of Directors as the CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS of Love Focus International Association in their session on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January 2023 in Merced County, California USA.

I further certify that the foregoing votes are in full force this date without rescission, modification or amendment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal this 4<sup>th</sup> day of January 2023.

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Pastor Ikemefuna Nwokike, General Secretary